## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

COMMON CAUSE, et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	) )
V.	
ROBERT A. RUCHO, in his official capacity as Chairman of the North Carolina Senate Redistricting Committee for the 2016 Extra Session and Co-Chairman of the Joint Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting, <i>et al.</i> ,	) CIVIL ACTION ) NO. 1:16-CV-1026-WO-JEP ) THREE-JUDGE COURT ) )
Defendants.	)
League of Women Voters of North Carolina, <i>et al.</i> ,	- ) )
Plaintiffs,	)
V.	) ) CIVIL ACTION
Robert A. Rucho, in his official capacity as Chairman of the North Carolina	) No. 1:16-Cv-1164-wo-jep
Senate Redistricting Committee for the 2016 Extra Session and Co-Chairman of the 2016 Joint Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting, <i>et al.</i> ,	) THREE-JUDGE COURT ) )
Defendants.	) )

Defendants Robert A. Rucho, David R. Lewis, Philip E. Berger, and Timothy K. Moore ("legislative defendants") in the above-captioned consolidated actions hereby give notice of their appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States from the Memorandum

Opinion and associated Order [D.E. 118 in Case No. 1:16-cv-1026 & D.E. 116 in Case

No. 1:16-cv-1164] entered by the Court on January 9, 2018.

This appeal is taken under 28 U.S.C. § 1253.

Respectfully submitted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.

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It is hereby certified that the foregoing **NOTICE OF APPEAL** has been electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will provide electronic notification of the same to the following:

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